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Kids doing well after bus crash

Apart from a sprained ankle, it's back to normal at Archie Stouffer School

by MARTHA PERKINS
Times staff

Apart from a few aches and pains, it's back to school as usual for the 32 Archie Stouffer Elementary School students who were in the bus that flipped on its side on Monday morning.

"Both the physical and emotional [trauma] have been dealt with and it's back to normal," Principal Rick Thorne said on Thursday.

The accident occurred just after 8 a.m. when the bus driver lost control on black ice on South Lake Road, just past Beaver Dam

Road. The bus swerved, hit the guardrail and then flipped on its side. All the students were able to get off the bus without any problem.

Thirteen were taken by ambulance to the Minden hospital, four were taken home from the scene by their parents and the rest trav-

eled by another bus to the hospital.

There were few serious injuries. One girl is on crutches with a sprained ankle and one boy has a sore back.

"A couple of kids still experience a little pain, but it's minor,"

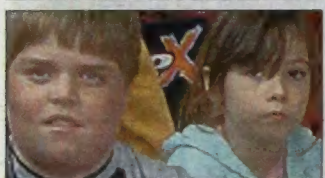
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A brave boy

Trevor Bartley finally lost a long, brave battle with a rare form of cancer.

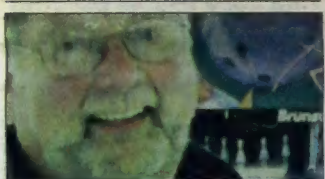
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Kids helping out

The kids at Archie Stouffer were honoured for helping the local food bank.

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Bowling for dollars

Big Brother Dan Geall is hoping people bowl to help a worthy cause.

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At long last, love

Gail and Tom Nicholson waited more than 50 years to tie the knot.

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In Quotes

"The only time you feel single is when you don't have a date for a function. Didn't seem like a good enough reason to get married to have a date for functions."

Gail Loftus, page 14



Arlene Switzer reaches her arm out to son Jonathan, in the emergency room waiting area in Minden Hospital. Last Monday Jonathan and all the passengers on the bus got off lucky: the worst injury was sprained ankle and some bumps and bruises. See story.

Akers biz cutting a great deal for victims of ice race vandalism

Broken windshields being replaced practically at cost

by LANCE CROSSLEY
Times staff

Clint Stapley is hoping to restore Minden's reputation by lending a hand to the victims of a vandalism rampage that recently struck the Minden Fairgrounds.

The owner of Akers Auto Glass has been replacing damaged windshields from the Jan. 28 episode for essentially no more than cost.

"I used to [race] for two years. I know how it is when you leave you

car up here and stuff goes wrong. Basically, that's why I gave them the deal" says Stapley.

Two local youths have since been charged with vandalizing several ice-racing vehicles and one camping trailer. The incident puts a black mark on the Magnum 2005 Ice Race Series, a car-racing extravaganza that attracts tourists from all over the province.

"It's very disrespectful to our guests who come up for the weekend," says Minden resident Tom

Prentice, whose racing car had its windows smashed. "This event adds a lot to the local economy, but stuff like this doesn't say much for the mentality of the town."

Prentice says at least nine cars were damaged in the rampage.

Tourism Ambassador Ann Lavery from the Haliburton County Chamber of Commerce says that the ice racing series is an important attraction, especially for

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Minden girl struck by car

A 15-year-old Minden girl suffered a broken leg when she was struck by a car on Haliburton's main street on Wednesday night.

The OPP says that Nicole Parker had run out from behind a parked car in an attempt to cross Highland Street at 5:45 p.m.. She was hit by a car driven by John Metler of Haliburton.

Nicole was taken by ambulance to the Haliburton Hospital where she was treated for a broken leg. She was not expected to attend classes at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School on Thursday or Friday.

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Trevor lost his battle with rare form of cancer

Fourteen-year-old Trevor Bartley has lost his battle with a rare form of cancer. The Norland teenager died early Tuesday morning after being taken to the hospital in Orillia.

In 2003, Trevor was diagnosed with a rare form of cancer, known as Precursor B-cell lymphoblastic leukemia. This form of leukemia affects only a small percentage of people across Canada, making it very difficult to diagnose. As a result of his medication, he also developed medical diabetes. He was undergoing treatment at the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto when he was profiled in The Times last February.

The son of Terry and Angela Bartley, Trevor had an older brother Jason and younger sister Caitlin, as well as a large extended family. Visitations will be held at the Coboconk Community Funeral Home from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. today (Friday) and the funeral service will be held at the Norland United at 11 a.m. Saturday.

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Bell eyes up Oxtongue for a new tower site

by LANCE CROSSLEY
Times staff

Cellular phone users in Oxtongue will soon have reason to dial, if plans to erect a Bell Mobility tower go ahead.

The telecommunications giant notified Algonquin Highlands council of its intention to install a 150-foot tower in the area at the February 3 council meeting.

"It will be a structure on the landscape but it will blend in and provide more of a benefit than a visual handicap," says John Wood, a project manager for Bell.

Wood is initiating a notification process, an information campaign to get feedback from local residents. The process will include advertising the plans in newspapers and a public meeting on May 28, from 11 a.m. - 1p.m..

As long as Bell meets federal requirements concerning health and environmental codes, the corporation isn't necessarily dependent on council's stamp of approval. However, Wood says Bell strives to be a "good corporate citizen" and wants to work with the township and its ratepayers.

"It's a small community and an active community, so we need their input," says Reeve Eleanor Harrison.

"I think it's something we really need for the area," says Scott Hayden, director of the Oxtongue Ratepayers Association. "There's a huge problem with lack of communication in Oxtongue. Everybody has a cell phone now and our area is dead."

Hayden, who owns a resort in Oxtongue, says the guests that frequent his and other local establishments will be grateful for the upgrade.

Bell engineers are asking Transport Canada as to whether air traffic lights will be required.

"I have a good feeling that we won't need to," says Wood.

If lights were required, Bell would install reflectors on the tower that help diminish the light pollution. Wood said the tower would also provide Internet access to a high-speed wireless network.

According to Wood, opposition to such rural projects generally comes from part-time residents who only frequent the area in summertime.

"It's beautiful here in the summer but it's quite bleak and barren in the winter. If you break down on Hwy. 60 you're in a little bit of trouble."

Since Bell Mobility forms partnerships when constructing rural towers, competing mobile users—such as Rogers and Telus subscribers—will also be able to access the network.

"That eliminates the need for numerous towers in the area," says Wood. "We can do it all in one shot."



Two of the smashed cars (above and below) vandals destroyed at Minden's Ice



Teens face charges

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a town that is tourist-starved during the winter months.

"We get a fair amount of out-of-town calls regarding the event," says Lavery.

Ken Graves, an Oshawa resident who has been racing for 30 years, says he's never seen anything like it before.

"We've never worried about our cars being here before," says Graves, whose car had the two left side windows smashed in and a broken front windshield. Typically, many out-of-towners leave their racing vehicles in Minden for the duration of the six-week event.

Before Stapley offered his auto glass services, many racers believed the entire racing season was in jeopardy. "This kills our budget. We have to decide whether it's worth racing for the remainder of the season," said Toronto resident Patrick Parato, the day after the episode.

"Yeah, I think some of them were thinking they'd be out three to four hundred dollars," says Stapley. "You know, when you throw that much into just a fun sport, it kind of takes the fun out of it."

To date, Stapley has repaired five cars for a total cost of \$655. Stapley estimates retail market value for the job would have hovered around \$1,200. Beneficiaries to Stapley's charity have since offered to put his business sticker on their racing vehicles.

Along with the cars, a parked camping trailer was broken into by force through the front door. The culprits trashed the inside of the cupboards and even stomped on a new plug-in kettle.

Andy Hughes, whose brother-in-law from Orillia owns the trashed trailer, shook his head at the randomness of it all. "It's just the sense of invasion," says Hughes.

The two 16-year-old youths have officially been charged with mischief over \$5000



Have
your say,
sweethearts!

At www.mindentimes.ca, we asked you if you think smoking is cool.

Forty-two votes were submitted with the vast majority of 33 voters (78.6%) replying, "No, it grosses me out."

Five people (11.9%) "don't think it's cool but I can't stop."

Four people (9.5%) replied, "Yeah, baby."

So is smoking cool? Only if you like being grossed out!

This week because of St. Valentine's Day, we're asking what it is that makes you fall in love. Is it the shape of a person's body? The sparkle in someone's eyes? A wonderful sense of humour? Plenty of money? Great hair? Or all of the above?

If you'd like to add your opinion to our unscientific (yet slightly amusing) poll, visit www.mindentimes.ca and look for the poll on our home page.

The Times hasn't been online for a while so if you're connected to the wired world give us a look. And have your say!

School pleased with emergency response

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says Thorne.

At the time of the accident, both the school's and the hospital's emergency preparation plans were put into effect, with everyone involved applauding the result. School staff and counsellors were at the hospital where they could help the students and their families cope with the emotional impact of the accident.

"When you put your arms around your child you're still upset but you count your blessings and move on," says Thorne.

There have been no complaints from parents as to how the situation was dealt with and Thorne was sent a thank you note for his calming presence at the hospital.

All of the students are back to taking the bus to school.

The staff had a meeting about the accident response on Tuesday night. For the most part, everyone was pleased with the routine set out by the emergency plan but a few minor changes will be made.

"We hope we never have to do it again but overall we're pleased with the emergency plan," Thorne says.

Oil spill results in fine

by MARTHA PERKINS
Times staff

More than three years after hundreds of litres of oil accidentally spilled into Moore Lake, the resulting court case has been resolved.

On Monday, Sid Stamp Fuels pled guilty to allowing more than 500 litres of fuel oil get into the lake on November 28, 2001. It was given a \$25,000 fine.

"I feel badly for Sid Stamp Fuels because it's a small business and they give back a lot to the community but I think it's a heads up for other fuel oil businesses," says Hilary Brown, the past-president of the Moore Lake Property Owners' Association.

Brown says she spent countless hours corresponding with the Ministry of Environment to make sure the issue was addressed.

"I certainly wrote reams and reams of letters to the Ministry for the association. It was many hours trying to get some action for getting the lake cleaned up."

Sid Stamp Fuels always accepted responsibility for the accident and responded quickly to rectify it. Brian Black, who owned the business at the time, says his insurance company has spent more than \$300,000 "to try to make things right on the land and in the water."

He says "Sid Stamp Fuels was and still is concerned about the environment and we did everything in our power to clean up



Hilary Brown is the past-president of the Moore Lake Property Owners' Association, when the oil spill occurred.

the spill in accordance with the guidelines of the Ministry of the Environment."

The spill occurred when one of the employees filled a tank on Paul Pilon's property on Hwy. 35 in Moore Falls. He filled the empty tank at Pilon's home, which was next to the marina, and then filled the tank at a building used for storage next door. That tank, however, already had fuel in it.

It's not known exactly how much fuel made its way to the lake. An empty tank is 920 litres and the company pumped out 1,400 litres. Brown says the tank was full at the time.

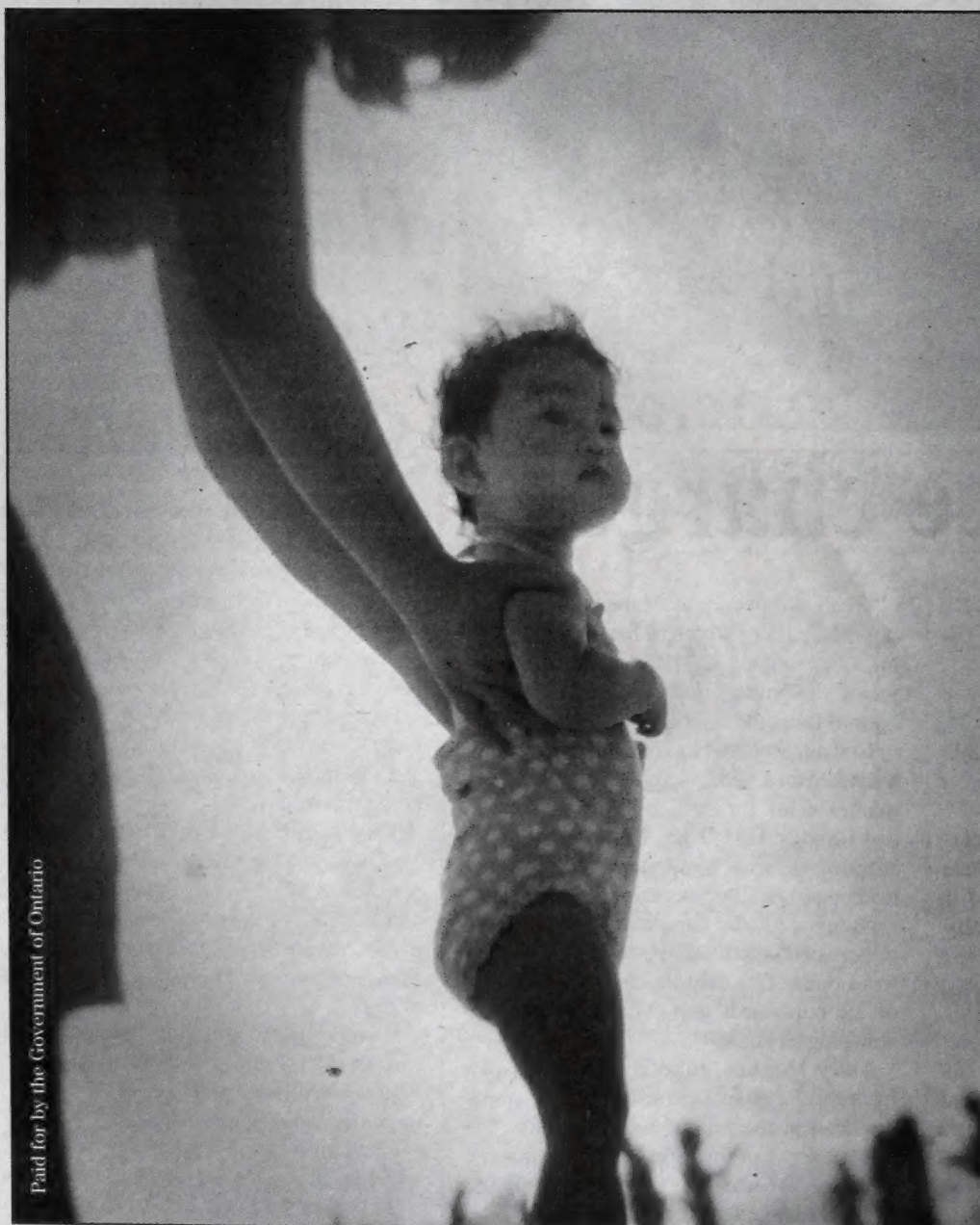
The overflow spilled into the basement and then escaped through a drain in the floor.

Brown says that there haven't been any traces of oil in the lake for a long time but she's worried about residual damage on the shoreline. "It's supposed to be perfectly safe to swim in and has been for some time."

Black says that 20 neighbouring wells were checked and there was no contamination.

However, Brown says more has to be done by the Ministry to prevent similar spills in the future. She'd like new laws governing floor drains in buildings that are close to a lake. "Those drains should have to go into some sort of holding tank."

Meanwhile, she's relieved that the court case is finally over. "I felt it shouldn't have taken three years. I'm happy it's over with and there's some kind of closure."



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Food bank says thanks

Barbara Walford-Davis, chair of the Minden Food Bank, presents Archie Stouffer Elementary Students with a certificate of appreciation. The students raised over \$1,000 for the food bank over the Christmas holidays. John Stephen's grade seven class contributed by selling "reindeer food" while special needs students participated in a bake sale fundraiser.

Municipalities add their two cents' worth on deposit idea

by LANCE CROSSLEY
Times staff

The following are brief reports from the Feb. 3 Algonquin Highlands council meeting.

A resolution originally drafted by Councillor Jim Hicks has proven popular with municipalities across the province. The resolution is asking the Ontario government to implement a system of deposit returns for all metal, glass, and plastic beverage containers, similar to the existing practice of returned beer bottles.

Algonquin Highlands has received 138 letters of support for the initiative from various townships, a figure that represents about 30 per cent of all municipalities in Ontario.

"And there would also be a number of municipalities that would write the Ministry of Environment and the Premier

directly without sending us a copy of it," said CAO Gerald Bain.

Bain says a resolution that generates 10-15 per cent response is generally considered a good response on an issue.

Log Chute contract

The contract to build the Hawk Lake log chute was awarded to Hawk River Construction, owned by Larry Hewitt, for a total cost of \$48,000. The price tag is considerably lower than was previously forecast for the heritage restoration project, which has been five years in the making.

Depending on water levels and permission from the Trent-Severn Waterway, the chute is aiming to be completed by March 30, 2005.

"Anything Larry has done for us has been good work," said Reeve Eleanor Harrison, giving her seal of approval.

Request for annual donation

Haliburton County Home Support Services is requesting financial assistance. Most of its funding is provided by the Ministry of Health, but the money is granted on the condition the agency raises a certain amount on its own - this year the target requirement is \$31,404. Last year council wrote a cheque for \$1,000.

Council will most likely donate again.

Bigger bill than planned

SGS, an environmental consulting firm that is currently doing an assessment of the sewage lagoon, will be granted an additional \$9,500 from the township in order to complete the study.

CAO Bain says the unforeseen costs sprang from the need for further "technical research" and that the need was justified.

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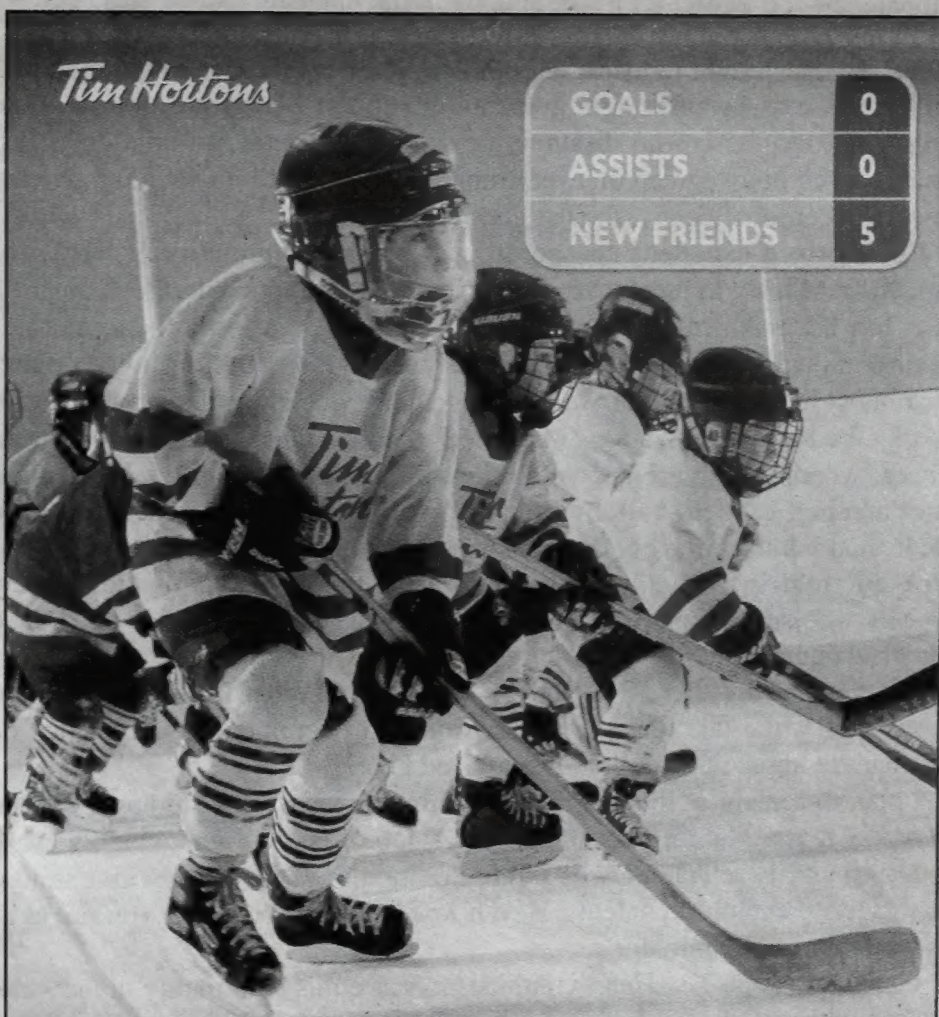
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A fond farewell

Parting, Shakespeare said, is such sweet sorrow. The line is, of course, from *Romeo and Juliet* but it applies just as well to other things besides romance.

In my case, the severed relationship is with this newspaper – a relationship that goes back more than a dozen years – and comes because of company downsizing. I freelanced for *The Times* for a year or more before starting full-time on January 21 of 1994.

I have seen many people come and go in that time, including a couple of owners.

If I had a dollar for every word I've written and had published in *The Times*, and more recently *The Echo* as well, I'd be a very wealthy man. Unfortunately for me, community newspaper writers/editors are not paid by the word and if they were, it would be considerably less than a buck a word.

But I consider myself wealthy in terms of the people I have met and those with whom I've worked over those years. I have made many friends, and probably a few enemies, as well.

When you work in the newspaper business there are always readers who disagree with what you write or the stances you take. If that weren't the case, the writers, especially editorial writers, wouldn't be doing our jobs. If we didn't evoke some negative responses, we wouldn't be stimulating debate. There are two sides, at least, to every issue. Those who feel passionate about a particular issue, and are at the opposite end of the spectrum from my point of view, may have felt some animosity toward me at times. Everyone has a right to his or her opinion. I've always tried to get my point of view across by offering arguments in support of my position, without implying that those who disagree are wrong. After all, an opinion is just that. If everybody agreed on everything we would have no need for government, law enforcement... the list goes on.

I've enjoyed excellent co-operation from the community at large, for which I am truly appreciative. I've also come to appreciate the dedication that has been shown by so many people in this area to the betterment of their community. Support for the arts is outstanding, and this area is richer than most in artistic talent. We have several service clubs that do wonderful work. We have organizations dedicated to enhancing our outdoors experiences, whether they are snowmobiling, hiking, cross-country skiing, fishing, hunting, canoeing or any other type of outdoors experience. We have dedicated volunteers who try to ensure that everyone has enough to eat and that no child is overlooked during the Christmas season. We have many people who support our local hospitals and work hard to provide up-to-date medical equipment.

There are many more, but you get the picture. What I'm trying to illustrate here is the fact that we have a wonderful community, which may be difficult to appreciate until you have lived here.

I plan to remain in this community if that is possible. Who knows, when word of my availability becomes known, job offers will undoubtedly come pouring in. My telephone will surely be ringing off the hook with employers eager to exploit my talents. Hey, if you are going to dream you might as well dream in Technicolor!

I sincerely hope *The Times* continues to serve this community in the same award-winning ways it has in the past and I wish my friends at *The Times* and *The Echo* well.

Jerry Grozelle

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TO THE EDITOR

Times readers write

Tobacco sale inspection conducted less than fairly

To the Editor:

This letter is to express my concern regarding the February 4th article on compliance with the tobacco law. We do commend the HKPR Health Unit and their efforts to stop youth smoking and purchasing tobacco products.

The Firehouse Restaurant was not fined as a business; the seller of the cigarettes was fined personally. As suggested by several vendors who were fined, the test buyer was not physically viewed as a minor. He appeared to be around 23 or 24 years old. We understand that there were establishments that successfully pleaded

not guilty, due to the test buyer not appearing in their eyes as a minor, and the charges were dropped accordingly.

We strongly feel that, with fairness to the local businesses, the individuals who are hired as test buyers appear as 15- or 17-year-old minors. This will offer the public and the Haliburton and Kawartha Pine Ridge Health Unit a clear picture of what businesses are not "following the letter of the law" and are less concerned about their obligations under the Tobacco Control Act.

The occurrence happened on July 12th. The Firehouse was hosting a benefit lunch

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Columnists and Letters to the Editor

Thinking about hair

There's an interesting story in the news right now about the North Korean government's war on long hair.

To cut right down to the chase, they're dictating that men in their country shouldn't have hair over two inches long. But they're not without some soul; they will allow comb-overs if required. And they'll permit an extra four-fifths of an inch if it will help hide baldness.

Why? Well, we're certainly not talking about a government known for rational behaviour but they do have their reasons - first off, they claim that long hair hampers intellectual activity by taking oxygen away from the brain.

Essentially they're saying the longer the hair, the stupider the person.

Of course, that's so ridiculous it made me stop calculating π , and almost forced me to take a break from translating that book of old Egyptian poetry that I had been working on for the museum. By the way, I think my findings might prove that they made a few key grammatical errors in the translation of the Rosetta Stone. Heck, we always suspected as much at

the Hieroglyphics Society anyhow. I think I'll mention this to the boys when we meet for our weekly brush cuts.

Anyhow, this whole theory linking hair length to IQ is just hard-line communist propaganda - there's nothing to it. And I explained this very slowly to my wife as she combed her long black hair - first with the wrong side of the brush until I reminded her about that rule of using bristle-side in. Then she just shook her head from side-to-side and giggled but only after I explained the big words.

No, these North Korean politicians are just crazy. Imagine, actually believing that hair takes oxygen away from the brain. Obviously they've never sat down and listened to the wit and wisdom of Pam Anderson, Paris Hilton, or any guest on the Jerry Springer Show. What could they be thinking?

No, I suspect this has got more to do

with some international barbershop conspiracy than anything else. The Communist top brass are probably getting haircuts for free now.

But, you know, as I was sitting down here acing IQ tests in Aramaic while eating breakfast, I scratched my short, bristle-like, oxygen efficient hair, and thought, "Let's not be so judgmental Steve. Not without scientific proof."

So I carried out a simple preliminary experiment, and I didn't even bother to use my secret government-funded laboratory. The idea was to test the North Korean supposition about hair length. The subjects: Callie, my long-haired English Springer Spaniel, and Curiosity, our short-haired cat.

I placed a rubber ball in front of each and merely observed with notepad in hand. Here are my findings:

8:24 am - Curiosity regards the rubber

ball and pats it preemptively. Call me crazy, but it seems she's testing Newtonian Laws of Physics, vis-à-vis the every action has an equal and opposite reaction.

8:26 a.m. - The cat has carried the ball on top of the dresser and pushed it and my wrist watch off at the same time. I believe she was observing gravity's effect on two disparate objects.

8:28 a.m. - The cat is now sitting on the window sill basking in the sunlight giving careful consideration to the experience. This could theoretically indicate rudimentary thought processes.

And now for Callie:

8:30 a.m. - Callie attempted to eat the ball.

It was clear that both animals, one long-haired and the other short-haired, approached this problem in vastly different ways - one experientially, and the other as a culinary treat. But what would this experiment tell us?

As I sat on the window sill and basked in the sunlight, I gave careful consideration to the experience...



BEYOND35

Steve Galea

The 'art' of easy money

When it comes to the visual arts, I am a true philistine. Show me two paintings, one by Gary Chapman and the other by Henri Matisse, and it'd be life and death to say which one was the Matisse.

So I am like the late U.S. President Harry Truman - I don't know much about art but I do know what I like.

What I don't like are the decorative plates being sold through the mail by a man named D. Noppe, who has a Montreal fax number and, evidently, no first name.

The first brochure I saw for his plates was for Kinmount. Then a booklet for Minden showed up in my mailbox and now it turns out folks in Dorset and Haliburton village have been similarly blessed.

D. Noppe is marching across Ontario, evidently, and whether he will stop at Amherstburg and Powassan, nobody knows. Or, at least, nobody is saying, certainly not Mr. Noppe, who does not take phone calls or answer faxes from ink-stained wretches.

Mr. Noppe, who shall remain first-name-less, either represents or is something called Decobex, which proclaims on its corporate logo that "Porcelain is my life!", which gives one pause.

The plates in the Minden series bear what appear to be drawings of the Catholic and United churches, the Registry Office, the County building, the Pritchard House

and the library.

Define the term drawings, Mr. D. Noppe. A woman who answered your telephone in your Markham, Ont., office told me your company first had photographs taken of our local landmarks.

Those photographs were then turned into drawings by an artist back at head office, she said. She did not say whether he had ever seen the buildings he was drawing.

When I asked the telephone lady whether the artwork was hand-drawn or computer-assisted, she referred me to Mr. D. Noppe's fax number for an answer.

To Laurie Carmount, who is administrator of the Agnes Jamieson Gallery, they looked computer-assisted. Certainly there are off-the-shelf computer programs that can be used to turn photos into drawings just like those on the plates.

Laurie called the plates "tacky", which is one of those highfalutin technical terms used in the art world. As for me, I still prefer dismal, but that's all a matter of taste and whether you have any.

When I asked my Markham telephone connection how Decobex selected the sub-

jects of its, er, drawings, she was stumped again.

So far as I have been able to find out, the photographer did not consult anybody at the municipal office, or the cultural centre, or the Chamber of Commerce, who might have helped him.

Perhaps the photographer consulted an ice-cream slinger at Kawartha Dairy or interviewed some kid tossing pebbles off the Gull River bridge.

Maybe the kid on the bridge failed to point out the village's striking Anglican church with its lovely riverside setting.

Laurie Carmount figures the photographer must have gotten lucky in picking the Pritchard

House. Laurie would have added one of our historic downtown hotels or perhaps the restored farmhouse now

occupied by Campbell's Garden Centre.

There are six "beautiful places of Minden" in the set, a category that seems to include more than just buildings, except buildings probably are easier to photograph and then, er, draw.

Minden's "classical scenery" evidently does not include a view of the Gull River from the bridge or from anywhere else, of the hills that are such dramatic backdrops

to the village, or of the Orillia Light and Power dam, surely our most impressive man-made structure.

The photographer wasn't just having a bad day in Minden. The camera also overlooked Robinson's General Store in Dorset, the locomotive in Haliburton village and the Austin sawmill in Kinmount.

A friend who is a retired journalist inspected the Kinmount brochure and could find no fault with it. Nothing in the booklet was false or misleading, she said, and local people were just complaining because they hadn't thought of it first.

In a free market, she is probably correct, which is why some of us unreformed pinkos think that not all human affairs are best managed in the marketplace.

What D. Noppe, whether he be Denzel or Dexter, is trading on is an endearing and enduring human quality, a love of home and of familiar places.

He is gambling that in each of our villages there are enough residents sufficiently ruled by their hearts to buy up all 100 sets of their plates at more than \$200 per set, taxes included.

In each of the villages, all of the \$20,000 those plates could earn for D. Noppe and his associates would leave the county instead of staying here to manage and preserve the places people cherish.

But maybe people in Haliburton aren't quite as dumb as D. Noppe is hoping and will keep their money in their pockets.



BACK OF BEYOND

Neil Campbell

Health Unit's test buyer set up local tobacco vendors for a fall

from page 6

for the staff of the Frost Centre, offering one last opportunity for the staff to be together following its closure. The restaurant was full and, with tobacco sales being so miniscule, we were caught completely off guard. In our opinion, if the test buyer had appeared to be a minor the outcome would have been different for our establishment.

As the statistics stated, the loss of a licence to sell tobacco products could mean the loss of 60 to 85 per cent of revenue to some establishments. The Firehouse, however, offers a restaurant atmosphere with nightly entertainment; the sale tobacco products had no impact on our business revenue, and was offered

as a convenience to customers.

Responsibility was taken for the sale on July 12 and with respect to the efforts to stop youth purchases and smoking, the fine was paid regardless of the circumstances. Tobacco products were immediately pulled off our shelf. We do personally feel that on July 12 The

Firehouse, as well as other establishments, were set up for a fall.

Anita Maracle
Firehouse Restaurant
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MORE LETTERS

Times readers write

Christianity can be inclusive

To the Editor:

Thanks to Neil Campbell for reminding us so concretely of all the violent and deplorable behavior prescribed by the law of the Old Testament. Some recent letters to the editor who suggested that the Bible was so clear in its direction neglected to mention the references you quoted about planting, cutting hair, eating pork and the other great sins for which stoning and mutilation were the punishment.

It is strange to me that this absolute clarity on the same-sex marriage issue is coming from Christians using the Old Testament as the basis for belief. I thought that the whole purpose of Christianity was to live by the teachings of Jesus, who publicly taught that he had come to "fulfill" the Old Testament Law, i.e., go beyond it. His famous "you have heard it said" speech was all about that, and how he invited his followers to go beyond the old divisive and violent laws towards loving enemies and turning the other cheek. In other words, he taught love, non-judgment and inclusiveness - opposite to judgment, condemnation, and self-righteousness.

I also applaud his comment that the institution of heterosexual marriage isn't doing so well: how can this be

held up as any kind of ideal? The divorce rate is higher than it's ever been. Abuse - sexual, physical, emotional and spiritual - is as rampant as ever. Bizarre sexual practices within marriage - S&M, neighborhood swingers and sex clubs - are on the rise. What would be more helpful to our society is to look for and highlight long-term fidelity in a relationship, whether it occurs in traditional marriage or otherwise.

Living Jesus' teachings of love and non-judgment outside the Sunday services of any Christian Church seems more urgently foundational to a healthy society than any legal definition of either government or church.

In a recent edition of *The Toronto Star* (Saturday, February 5), Tom Harpur points to three emerging forms of Christianity, all of which have in common "an inclusiveness embracing everyone regardless of race, gender, sexual orientation, religious past or any other differences..."

This is a Christianity that would unite and harmonize rather than divide and conquer, and isn't this what Jesus came to bring about?

Joan Weir
Halls Lake

Should we not love one another and not stand in judgement?

To The Editor:

Here I was reading *The Times* on January 21 when something caught my eye. "The Bible tells us to love one another." (Rev. Ashley Taylor). I thought to myself, finally someone has hit the nail on the head. As I read on I became disenchanted. I am a 36-year-old mom of two young boys. If and when my children find love (whether it be a man or a woman) I will be happy that they have found love. Love is such a rare and precious thing to find these days. I just want someone to love my children the way they deserved to be loved. If the Bible tells us to love one another, shouldn't we do just that and not stand in judgment?

Something else to think about: has it come to anyone's attention who has been following this debate and writing letters quoting the Bible, that not everyone believes in the Bible? It is a great story though, isn't it?

June Hendry
Haliburton

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To the Editor:

Dr. Grant's statement "I am not going to start spewing out passages from the Bible to verify my position" is quite understandable.

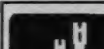
The Bible claims to be the word of God. Canada's laws were founded on Biblical principles. But wait, we don't think the Bible is God's word so why do we need laws written by men from long ago? We are creatures of our own destiny, there is no God, and we decide what is right or wrong (maybe there is no wrong). We've decided that society, or the majority, should make the rules. But wait again, man's opinion

Dr. Grant elevates the Concise Oxford Dictionary above the Bible. The Dictionary is where she decided to find this definition of a Christian, “a person showing character consistent with Christ’s teachings”. I must disagree because anyone could attempt to show a character consistent with Christ’s teachings, but if they have not accepted him as personal saviour a Christian is not what

Read it, then decide.

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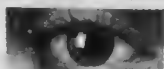
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Bowl for Big Brothers and Sisters

Sponsors and bowlers wanted for February 26 event

by LANCE CROSSLEY
Times staff

A bowling fundraiser to help local programs provided by Big Brothers Big Sisters to continue is planned for Feb. 26 at Minden Hills Lanes.

"We're looking for everybody and anybody who wants to participate," says Patti Lou Robinson, case manager for the Kawartha Lakes-Haliburton branch. "The money donated stays in the community to run programs in the area."

Those interested in participating are asked to put a team of five to six players together and solicit donations to help sponsor their team.

Local businesses are being asked to sponsor a lane for \$200; for this, they can post an advertisement at the end of the lane for the duration of the day.

Last year the event raised \$8,800. In prior years totals ranged from \$11,000-\$13,000 and organizers are hoping to see those higher numbers return.

The local branch has increased its matches from three to 11 since last year. Robinson says the agency continues to grow as more and more volunteers sign up. As the number of matches increases, so do the costs of police checks and other screening mechanisms.

Don Geall, a Big Brother who also sits on its advisory board, says that the reward for such a cause is knowing

that you're helping someone, especially a youngster.

"I taught my Little Brother, the one I originally had (25 years ago), to paint his room. We also put together a soapbox derby cart. Today, he credits me with his present occupation because he learned he could work with his hands and he liked it," says Geall.

Aside from the traditional Big Brother/Sister program, where volunteers give a year commitment to a child for a minimum of three hours a week, there is also an in-school mentoring program. The on-site program enables volunteer and child to meet on school property and use its facilities for mentoring.

One in-school mentor, Rawn Loughheed, has been an advisory board member for four years and has just in the past year made the leap into a Big Sister role.

"I had always wanted to be a big sister and had thought about it tons of times. I felt I could give them something they were lacking as far as friendship or mentoring," says Loughheed.

Both Loughheed and Geall plan to polish their bowling shoes at the end of February. Bowlers are

invited to come dressed in duct tape, which was chosen this year to commemorate the chapter's 25th anniversary. Prizes will be handed out for best costume and for teams that raise the most money.

Those interested in participating can call 286-1706 to register.



Big brother Don Geall is hoping people sign-up for a bowling fundraiser that will help support the local Big Brother Big Sister program. The event is planned for Feb. 26 at Minden Lanes.



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Auditions for a number of key roles in Highlands Summer Festival's 2005 season productions will be held Sunday, February 20 starting at 1 p.m. This call is for the following:

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The Timelessness of Love

After more than 50 years of being single, Gail Loftus and Tom Nicholson struck by Cupid

by SHERYL LOUCKS
Times Staff



HE GRIN on Tom and Gail Nicholson's faces creates the impression of teenagers on a date in a tree fort perched above South Lake instead of a retired couple sitting on an elegant antique couch in a room of log walls steeped in history.

Perhaps it is the timelessness of love that has a way of making those possessed by it appear ageless.

This Valentine's Day the newlyweds will be celebrating the one year anniversary of the moment Tom proposed. They are both still giddy about the fact that after, more than 50 years of being single, Cupid found them at last.

Gail, who until September 25 last year went by the last name of Loftus, says she never expected to be making the Highlands home. Born in England, her family immigrated to Toronto in 1954. She was the child of a second marriage for both her parents. She left behind one step-sister in England while another lived with her father's people in Australia. She made the move to Haliburton Lake after her parents passed away in 2000.

"I'm a complete city girl. I guess you could say I was dragged up here kicking and screaming by my best friend Mary Chvedukas. After the first year I was ready to go home," she admits.

She had worked with Mary and Andy Chvedukas when they were all employed by the Toronto Police. When the Chvedukas retired to a cottage on Haliburton Lake they eventually talked Gail into moving in with them. Gail says they were concerned that despite her strong network of life-long friendships she did not have a family.



"My draw was Sir Sandford Fleming College. That was my little carrot," she says.

Gail had gone to work at the age of 16 and moved out on her own at age 27. She says she dedicated her life to enjoying work, friends and travelling.

"Girls were getting married right out of high school. I think everyone else thought more about my getting married than I did. My mom used to ride the elevator up and down (in department stores) and talk to men about her single daughter. We would be in a restaurant and she would say 'This is my daughter.' She was terrible," says Gail with an affectionate laugh. "She used to say 'I want to see you settled before I die' and I said 'Don't wait.'"

Gail inherited the famous Australian wanderlust from her father and did not feel a need to "settle down." She was engaged once before but it did not work out.

"I was asked if I was gay. There's a stigma to being single, like there's something wrong with you. But I was very lucky; as my friends got married they never made me feel left out. The only time you feel single is when you don't have a date for a function. Didn't seem like a good enough reason to get married to have a date for functions," she says.

"I was never lonely. I was independent and had a good imagination. I had been through the heartaches and eventually just felt safer without the rollercoaster ride."

Tom says he had it much easier. There was no pressure from his parents to get married even as his other three brothers did. He had a good career working for an IBM plant as an electrical engineer. There were a few times, though, when he too got asked if he was gay.

Tom, unlike Gail, always imagined retiring in Haliburton at the cottage his grandmother bought in 1935 on South Lake called Lonach Manor. He made the move in 2000. He loves collecting antiques, woodworking and puttering about with a weather station.

"I've never been in a serious relationship in my life. After 56 years I thought it's just not in the cards," he says.

Mary and Andy Chvedukas had other ideas. Tom had met Andy through the snowmobile club. Tom suggested to him that he could do the odd bit of plumbing and electrical work for the Chvedukas' business in Haliburton, Kitchens Etc.. He started working with Mary now and then on kitchen renovation projects.

Gail was also working with Mary in the store. The couple got to know each other well during the store's move from one side of the street to the other. The Chvedukas family immediately saw the possibilities for romance. Gail says her adopted family later admitted to planning her entire future with Tom from the first night they invited him over to dinner.

Things at first did not seem to be going to plan. Gail says she drove home one night from Tom's in tears the whole way and told Mary that she didn't think Tom liked her - he hadn't even kissed her. Tom says he had made the mistake of pushing things too fast in the past so was determined to let her set the pace.

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After Gail Loftus and Tom Nicholson (above) exchanged wedding vows last fall, they both marvel that, after nursing their respective parents until they died, the two finally found time for romance.

The women on the left had the wedding planned long before the couple ever imagined it. From top left Jocelyn Regina, Danielle Chvedukas, Myles Nicholson and Michael Chvedukas, below Katrina Chvedukas, Mary Chvedukas, Gail (Loftus), Tim Nicholson, Tom Nicholson, Kyle Nicholson. Missing is Andy Chvedukas



"My uncle once told me not to worry, there is someone for everyone. And he was right," says Tom.

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So that's what she did.

"We were driving and I said to him 'I'm too old for this driving back and forth and spending nights here and there.' I don't think he was expecting the direction of the conversation when I told him how I felt: that I was falling in love with him. He nearly went through the floor," Gail recalls.

Not long after they went to a Mother's Day breakfast at the Wigamog with Mary's extended family. Mary's brother asked Tom what his intentions were towards Gail and Gail says she nearly choked.

"Tom took it much better. He said, 'My intention is to finish my breakfast.'"

Tom asked her to move in with him the summer of 2003. It was an enormous task, juggling a generation of cottage collected pieces with a lifetime of his things and her things. They also had to introduce his dog Harley to her cats Sneakers, Scooter and Heather.

"Harley had never lived with cats and thought, 'Oh someone to play with.' And they said 'At our age? Forget it!'" Tom says of the 14-year-old cats' reaction. Tom says that as he and Gail figured out their relationship so did their pets.

"I proposed to Gail out there in the sun porch. She was standing there in her robe with a coffee in her hands," says Tom.

Gail says the wedding ended up being a lot harder to plan than she anticipated despite having been a professional event planner before moving to Haliburton. She was thrilled to have Danielle and Katrina Chvedukas and Jocelyn Regina as her bridesmaids. The trio had been planning for the day a year before the couple had even thought of it, says Gail.

Tom says that on the day of the wedding people were taking bets on how late Gail and the girls would be to arrive at St. Paul's Anglican Church. He was closest at 15



Kyle Nicholson, Tom Nicholson, Gail Nicholson, Michael Nicholson, Elaine Nicholson, Ann MacDonald, Tim Nicholson, Myles Nicholson, Peter Nicholson and in front Angela Nicholson and Stephen Nicholson pose together for the first time as a family.

minutes. The minister was eight months pregnant and eventually had to sit down. Tom says he expected Gail to cry and the waterworks started the minute she reached the church door but he unexpectedly got reduced to tears by an incredible duet by Andy and Katrina.

Tom and Gail agree the best part of the reception at Birch Point was seeing old friends and watching the young people have a good time.

Gail says she decided to marry Tom because he's a very loving person, kind and gentle. Tom says they like enough of the same things to enjoy time together while still being able to do their own things. He says he grew to love spending time with Gail and they share a strong if slightly "bent" sense of humour.

After the wedding they spent two weeks together taking

day trips and enjoying the time with each other. Gail decided that it was time to retire from Kitchens Etc., and chase her artistic dreams at the college.

They are, at 58, still discovering who they are. Gail says she wanted to take Tom's name even though he says it didn't matter in the least to him. He walked around for the first few months though calling her Mrs. Nicholson at home. She jokes about sometimes still forgetting who she is when she goes to sign something. But the pair seems to be loving figuring it all out.

"Now we just want to stay healthy so we can have lots of years together," says Gail. Standing at the door, Tom threw out this one last comment. "My uncle once told me not to worry, there is someone for everyone. And he was right."

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I want to tell you this Valentine's Day,
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We left the city, the work, the stress
For a different life that is the best
A quiet space, a flowing river
Days so good they make me shiver,
A simple life on retirement pay
We travel and play, and enjoy every day
So very thankful for our health,
This we cherish much more than wealth
The Future twenty five years at least will be

I with you, and you with me
One more thing I want to say

I Love You, Happy Valentine's Day.

To Mom

Thank you for everything you have done. I Love You

Love Justin

Loving You for 25 years,
Sharing smiles and sharing tears.
Has been so joyful needless to say,

I love you more from day to day.

My love for You will never die,
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Minden teen's curling rink wins provincial championship

Jake Walker plays vice on OCA Bantam team

The Ontario Curling Association Bantam Boy Provincial Playdowns were held in Sarnia at the Sarnia Gold and Country Club this past week from February 2-5.

Jake Walker of Minden and his teammates participated in the four-day event and won the honour of provincial champions. The team consists of Ben Willemse (skip) from Woodville, Jake Walker (vice), Darryl Budd from Woodville, and Trevor Harrison (lead) from Lindsay. Their coach is John Willemse from Woodville.

The Bantam boy division is ages 16 and younger.

The zone playdowns were held in Peterborough on December 11-13, 2004, with the team winning the "A" side and advancing to the regional competition. The regionals were held in Newmarket on January 22-23 with the team winning the "A" side and advancing to the provincial playdown.

The provincial competition consists of eight teams; two teams qualifying from four regions in Ontario. The eight teams play a round robin, playing each other once, then the team with the most wins is the provincial champion. After four days of curling, Jake's team was tied for first place with the Westmount team with six wins and two



The Bantam boys provincial champions are, standing, Ben Willemse (skip), John Willemse (coach), and Jake Walker (vice) and, kneeling, Darryl Budd (second), and Trevor Harrison (lead).

losses. They then played an exalting tie-breaking game and became the first place winners.

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Curlers raise money for Cultural Centre Foundation

Fun was the name of the game last Saturday at the Minden Curling Club. The occasion was the third annual Minden Hills Cultural Centre Foundation Bonspiel.

This year's event featured 16 teams and numerous supporters. Local businesses and individuals donated items for a Loonie Auction, which was held after the potluck dinner. "It is a very worthwhile event," said Fred Simmons, who, along with his wife Carol, organized the bonspiel. He says he expects the event to attract 24 teams next year. The Marie and John Lennard Trophy was won this year by the Minden team skipped by Sherdon Kellett, with vice Mary Ellen Beamish, second Dave Appleby and lead Steve Lawrence.

The event raised between \$1,500 and \$1,600 for the Foundation.



Jerry Grozelle/TIMES

The third annual Minden Hills Cultural Centre Foundation Curling Bonspiel raised between \$1,500 and \$1,600. The emphasis was on fun, with competition as a secondary consideration. Skip Jack Brezina shows vice Karen Colliss where to place her shot as team members Bill Beers (lead) and second Ariel White discuss sweeping strategies.

To find out more about
the Minden Hills
Cultural Centre
visit www.minden.on.ca

Bantams on edge of elimination; game 3 tonight

by CANDACE LOWES
Special to The Times

Fresh from their three-game sweep of the Gravenhurst Lakers in the preliminary playoff round, the Rodco Enterprises Bantam As met their next opponent last Saturday afternoon in Ennismore.

The Eagles were better prepared this

day and they took it to the Storm, thrashing them 9-2. Scoring for the Storm were Brady Hicks with the assist going to John Murray, and Jessee Tallman, with the assists going to Will Smeaton and Robert Lowes.

Game 2 was back home in Haliburton on Sunday afternoon and the home side looked much better. The Eagles hit quickly, however, scoring three times in the first but the Storm didn't quit. Chase Thurston got the Storm on the board with the assist

going to Kelsey Pierson. Matt Eno got the Storm to within one when he scored a beauty with the assist going to Steve Miscio.

There was a sense that the Storm was really coming on. However, a couple of unnecessary penalties disrupted their rhythm and Ennismore capitalized, scoring four more times and putting the Storm on the brink of elimination.

Game 3 goes Friday night at 9 in Haliburton.

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Novices' seesaw affair gives them the lead

Storm has two playoff wins to Oro's one

by MIKE LOPEZ
Special to The Times

February 5 saw the Novice Storm hosting the Oro Thunder for game 3 of a best-of-five series. With the series tied at one game apiece, the Storm took to the ice in Haliburton accompanied by a roaring ovation from the standing room only crowd.

The first period saw action at both ends of the ice with goaltender Jordan Hamilton standing tall in between the pipes for the Storm. Three minutes into the first, defenseman Tom Paul's back checking helped break up a two-on-one breakaway. Nate Feir's power play marker, with helpers to Jacob Sisson and Curtis Ballantyne, put the Storm up by one, with 17 seconds left in the first period.

The Storm took a 2-0 lead in the first minute of the second when Spencer Trueman tapped home a rebound off of a Kirk Lopez shot, which was set up by Mac Monk Cray, to send the home crowd into a frenzy. The momentum then took a turn for the worse as the Thunder roared back with two unanswered goals in the second, sending the teams into the third tied at two.

The Thunder stormed out of the gates in the third taking a 3-2 lead in the first

30 seconds of the period. The Storm then regained their skating legs as Matt Chapman stripped the puck from a Thunder defenseman to send Nate Feir in alone to square the game at three; Jacob Sisson received the second assist on the goal. With time winding down Sisson then took a pass from defense partner Curt Ballantyne and skated up the ice to score the go ahead marker with four minutes left to play.

The Thunder then roared right back with a goal of their own just a minute later to tie the game once again. With overtime looming and the Storm pressing for the winner, the Thunder broke in alone only to be foiled by some strong back checking from Mac Monk Cray to break up the play and send the game into overtime.

With the Thunder shorthanded again, the Novices stormed the Thunder's end resulting in a wild scramble and the puck squeaking past a beleaguered Thunder goalie. Nate Feir was credited with the goal with assists going to Curtis Ballantyne and Spencer Trueman.

The series continues on Saturday February 12 in Oro, where the Storm hope to wrap up the series with a win.

Final Score - Storm 5 - Thunder 4 (OT).



The 7th Annual Murray Scott Memorial Ice Fishing Derby winners and organizers, left to right, are: Prize winners Al Hoxie, Chris Little and Wayne Graham, organizers Dan Johnson Rob Fraser and Rob's son Gordy.

Rainbow trout derby raises \$810 for HHOA

The seventh annual Murray Scott Memorial Fishing Derby was held January 29 on Wenona Lake with 81 people taking part.

Rainbow trout was the quarry and a total of \$810 was awarded in prizes. In addition, the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association earned \$810 for its conservation efforts.

The winner was Wayne Graham with a 3 pound 1 ounce rainbow trout. Second place went to Chris Little with a 2 pound 12 ounce fish. The third prize winner was

Al Hoxie with a 2 pound 8 ounce rainbow.

"We had a terrific day," said Dan Johnson, chair of the HHOA fundraising committee. He and Rob Fraser were the main organizers of the event, with help from several volunteers.

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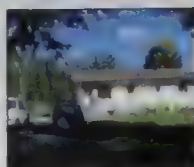
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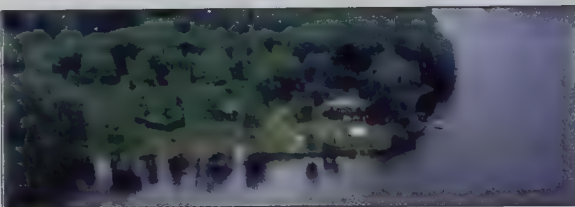
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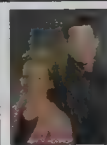
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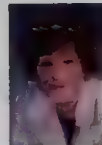
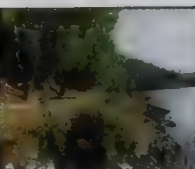
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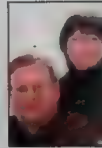


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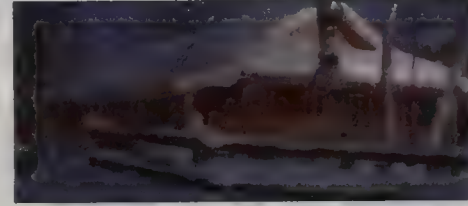


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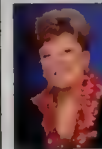
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Larry Hewitt wins bid to restore Hawk Lake log chute

Carol Moffatt reports this week: "There's exciting news on the heritage front. Larry Hewitt/Hawk River Construction has been awarded the tender for the construction of the Hawk Lake Log Chute and the construction will begin soon."

"There's no question this project has been a long time in the making, but we should all embrace our local history and help to celebrate it. Remember, this is the last log chute in the province and its significance is found not only in the architecture of the chute itself, but also in the folklore that surrounds it, the history of the long-gone "damkeeper", and our continued connection to the land here in Haliburton. We look forward to the new park and hiking trail that will form part of this designated heritage landmark."

"Learn more about the project at www.stanhopemuseum.on.ca, and follow the project through the Photo Gallery there, too. Drop a toonie into the jar at Halls Lake Market or That Place in Carnarvon, or pick up a flyer to make a larger, tax deductible donation."

The Trails and Tours holiday flyer that encouraged people to gift a metre of trail to family and friends for Christmas was a great success, selling 44 family metres

and two corporate metres. Birthdays and Valentine's Day are coming up so they hope you will keep this gift in mind if you want to support the organization. On the other hand, maybe something more personal would be better for that special person on February 14. How about one of their "Do it out-

doors!" t-shirts?

On Saturday, February 12 Trails and Tours is sponsoring another winter workshop on lugging at the Redstone River Luge Club. The cost is \$50 for members and \$65 for non-members. Fees include all your gear and lunch.

Don't forget to put the Dorset Snowball on your calendars for February 18 and 19. Friday evening festivities include a skating party, clown, face painting, broomball tournament and more. Pancake breakfast, parade, horse drawn wagon rides, mini snowmobile rides, craft sale, children's dog sled rides and more take place on Saturday. The Young Writers' and Teens' Short Story and Poetry Contest winners will be announced on Saturday at the Dorset Branch of the Haliburton County Public Library, with winning writers reading their works, from 10 -- 11 a.m., followed by an open mike for young writers. See www.dorsetsnowball.com or call 705-

766-9968 for information.

On Saturday, February 19 from 1 - 3 p.m. the Haliburton Highlands Water Trails Committee is hosting a meeting at the Stanhope Community Centre. An invitation is extended to groups and youth camps to take part in this public consultation and information session.

The Stanhope Soccer League "Start-Up Meeting" takes place at the Stanhope Library on Tuesday, March 1 at 7 p.m. All are welcome to attend this meeting, especially those with an interest in joining the executive committee. Soccer registra-

tion takes place during the March break on Tuesday, March 15 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Stanhope Community Centre on Northshore Road. A second registration is Saturday, April 2 from 1 to 3 p.m. also at the Stanhope Community Centre.

The Stanhope Recreation Committee is looking for a person interested in providing ballroom dancing lessons. Anyone who is interested and qualified should call 705-766-9968 or email drc@vianet.on.ca. The committee is also gathering names of people interested in taking fitness classes such as step aerobics.

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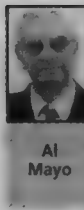
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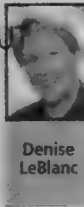


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Start Kinmount Winterfest with a pancake breakfast

Once again the farmhouse occupants headed out for another family birthday celebration, this time for Benjamin Jacob Morrow Fleury, affectionately known as Ben. Only birthday #1, yet he already knows how to work a room, charming the faithful gathered therein with his walking, singing, wet kisses and Bobble Head dance choreographed by sister Brianna. Big brother Josh will help him with his hockey equipment [no skates yet] which Aunt Rita somehow managed to find in size 2 at Wal-mart. Ben is blessed with great parents. I think back to the wee small hours of last February 4, waiting up for that call, the sense of joy when it came, and the delight in receiving a photo just hours later to fill his reserved spot on the fridge door.

Come out to celebrate winter at the Kinmount Winterfest on Saturday, February 19th at two locations. There will be a Pancake Breakfast and Country Raffle at the Community Centre from 8 - 11 a.m. and a Dance that evening. The Kinmount Fairgrounds will be a busy spot with a great variety of outdoor events for the whole family including a Baseball Tournament [call 488-2000 to register your team], sleigh rides, kid/parent Hockey Game, skating, tobogganing, dog sled rides and fabulous food. For more information call 488-9954.

There will be an Open House for the Bright Start Parents and Parents to Be program at the Kinmount Community Centre on Monday, February 21 from 10 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Singing, story telling and a colouring contest will be some of the highlights and refreshments will be served. The Community Centre, located on C.R. 45 West just off C.R. 121, is easy to spot with its bright red roof and large new sign.

Just a reminder that the next Big Bucks Bid Euchre at the Kinmount Legion Branch 441 is on Wednesday,



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Now for the Scoring News with your usual reminder to keep busy and well. They go together.

February 2 bid euchre at Stanhope: Single moonshots went to Trudy Kroes, Jean Dutka, Jack Cox, George Bye, Sharon Evans and Tom Orr with Chris Clarke and Grace Berardi taking two. Our reporter Gala Stamp led the pinks at 333 with Lottie Ruttan 265 next and Marj Coffey 263 third. For the white cards Dick Coffey led at 301 followed by Tom Pearson 265 and Cliff Davison 262.

February 2 Kinmount Seniors euchre: It was the Harvie family in the spotlight with Emily winning for high lady and most lone hands and Harold for high man. Theresa Deak and Ted Wilkins recorded the lows while Roger Fournier won the special draw.

February 2 duplicate bridge at Parklane: Playing the Howell system it was Muriel and Doug McIntosh first at 63% followed by Jacqueline and Kelly Metcalf 58% and

Margo Davidson partnered with Ross Fletcher 56%.

February 3 euchre at the Minden Legion: Lone hand honours went to Verna McDonald and Kevin Maloney with our reporter May Bradbury recording the high score for the ladies and Lorne Dinesen for the men. Pat Roussel and Roy Knapton had the evening's lows while Pearl Cowen, Kevin Maloney, John Malon, Bob Pollard and Laura Carnegie were the other prize winners.

February 4 duplicate bridge at Echo Hills: Using the Howell method it was Stella McMillan paired with Margo Davidson first at 68% and Muriel and Doug McIntosh second at 61%. Dorothy Thayer and Ross Fletcher tied for third at 49% with Bill Sandford teamed up with Ross Davies.

February 4 bid euchre at Club 35: Five single moonshots landed on Rob Evans, Mary Pearson, Jean Scadden, Pearl Cowen and Dick Coffey with Jack Cox and Verna McDonald each taking two. Pearl Cowen led the pinks at 284 with our reporter Mary Pearson second at 267 and Willie Cox 249 third. George Bye topped the white cards at 274 with Rob Evans next at 264 and Dick Coffey third at 252 while Clara Miscio held the hidden score.

February 4 euchre at Staunworth Court: Doreen Francis reports that Helen Skelding won for high hands, Ruth Kellett for lone hands and Hazel Dorman for both low hands and the draw.

February 5 bid euchre at Staunworth Terrace: In the moonshot column Don Burch had a "hat trick" and Margaret Fletcher took two. Albert Foster was first at 320 then Margaret Fletcher 298, Theresa Deak 275 and Elva Paisley 262. The draw winners were Pat Scadden, Emily Harvie, Pat Bailey and Helen Henderson.

see GIVE A HAND page 23



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Forms to be returned by Tuesday, March 1st, 2005 - 2:00 p.m. local time.

Give a hand to these winning card players

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Monday, February 7 euchre at Club 35, Halls Lake: Jane Swick held the most lone hands and Colleen Davison won the baloney. High scores ladies/men went to Mary Pearson and Harry Randell with Marnie Butler and Olive Jones recording the evening's lows.

Monday, February 7 euchre at St. Paul's Friendship Club, Minden: In the lone hands column it was Gala Stamp and Marion Stickwood while the high scores went to Lorna Hicks for the ladies and Katie Parker representing the gents. Low scores for ladies/men were tallied up by Fern Donnelly and Tim Sharpe while Gwen Cox and Marion Stickwood won the special prizes.

February 7 euchre at Staunworth Terrace: On a cut of the cards Verna McDonald was declared the winner for high hands. Lone hand honours went to our reporter Elaine Yeo with Lorna Bridgeman taking low hands and Gala Stamp the special prize.

February 7 cribbage at the Minden Legion: Topping the charts was Edith Burch with Gwen Cox second and Syd Adamson third. The draws went to Don Burch and our reporter Jean Scadden.

February 7 Kinmount Seniors bid euchre at the Kinmount Legion: In first was Roger Fournier with Dorothy McElwain filling the second high slot. Ida Young and Pauline Franzen took the moonshots with Marjorie Paradis the special draw winner.

February 8 bid euchre at the Minden

Legion: Leading the top scoring trio was Marcel Roussel at 310 followed by Jean Scadden 306 and Gala Stamp 300. Moonshots went to Thelma Francis, Rob Evans, Albert Foster, Roy Knapton and Marcel Roussel while Kevin Maloney, Margaret Fletcher, Howard Smith and Helen Luffman took the draws.

February 8 euchre at the Gelert Community Centre: For the ladies Emily Harvie was high and Betty Curry low. Rick McElwain recorded the men's high score and Gene Newell the low while Mary Wilkins held the most lone hands and Gala Newell won the draw.

February 8 Stanhope Firehall Seniors Mixed Shuffleboard: Syd Lockhart and Helen Skelding were the top duo at 444 with Betty Lockhart and Shirley Alderton second at 412 and Jim Meadows partnered with Grace Murray third at 384. Joan Meadows and Flo Roussel had the afternoon's low score with a very respectable 336 points.

February 8 contract bridge at Stanhope: There were two Slams over the afternoon by Betty Dicker and Harold Cox and Gloria Moore partnered with Ross Fletcher. Betty Dicker led the high scores at 6140 followed by Ross Fletcher 5900, Harold Cox 5760 and Jean Jackson 5670 while Bruce Armstrong won the lucky draw and Stella McMillan the Shiny Penny. Betty Dicker received the T. W.A.C.L. Special Award for There Was a Crooked Lady. This is not to suggest improper behaviour only an historical reference to Crooked House Road.

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The OTIP Teaching Awards recognizes four teachers in the categories of Elementary Teacher, Secondary Teacher, Francophone Teacher and Beginning Teacher. Parents, students, colleagues and others are invited to submit nominations online.

Nominations can be made at www.teachingawards.ca.

Beware of driver's licence e-mail fraud

The Ministry of Transportation has recently learned that a fraudulent e-mail is being sent to members of the public. It contains a link to a web page which looks similar to the Ministry of Transportation website. It states that the ministry is updating its licence database system and requests that the recipient confirm driver licence information such

as name, address and driver's licence number.

The police have been notified. Do not, under any circumstances, respond to this e-mail. If you receive further e-mails from the same source please notify the Licensing Administration Office at lao@mto.gov.on.ca and attach the suspect e-mail.

People who've moved can save on taxes

If you move within Canada to start a new job, business or post-secondary education, some of your moving expenses may be deductible from the income you earn in the new location.

Expenses that can be deducted include hiring movers or renting vans to move,

furniture storage, meals and lodging for you and your family, and the cost of breaking a lease or selling your home. Students can also deduct eligible moving expenses from award income if they move to attend courses as a full-time student. Visit www.cra.gc.ca/tax for details.



NOTICE

It is the intention of The Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills Council to pass the following by-laws at their regular meeting of Council:

Date: Thursday, February 24, 2005
Time: 3:00 p.m.
Location: Municipal Council Chambers, 7 Milne Street, Minden

Section 47 of the *Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, c.25*, as amended, states that "before passing a by-law naming a highway or changing the name of a highway, a municipality shall give public notice of its intention to pass the by-law".

Section 48 of the *Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, c.25*, as amended, states that "a local municipality may name or change the name of a private road after giving public notice of its intention to pass the by-law".

It is Council's intention to pass a by-law to amend By-Law 03-88, being a by-law to provide for the naming and renaming of all public and private roads within the Township of Minden Hills.

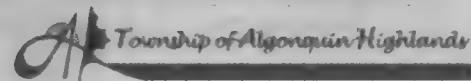
Section 238 of the *Municipal Act, S.O. 2001*, as amended, states that "Every council and local board shall pass a procedure by-law for governing the calling, place and proceedings of meetings", and further that before passing the by-law a municipality and local board shall give notice of its intention to pass the by-law.

It is Council's intention to pass a by-law to amend By-Law No. 04-40, being a by-law to govern the calling, place and proceedings of meetings of Council and Committees.

The draft "Road Naming By-Law" (maps excluded) and Council's draft procedural by-law, is available for pick-up at the Front Counter of the Township of Minden Hills Administration office, 55 Parkside Street, Minden. Both by-laws, excluding Schedules, can also be found on the Township's website.

Anyone wishing to comment or requiring further information on these by-laws should contact, in writing, the Municipal Clerk before February 21, 2005.

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Township of Minden Hills
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE NO. 4 TOWNSHIP OF ALGONQUIN HIGHLANDS CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

SELECTION OF A PREFERRED DESIGN OPTION FOR A HAULED SEWAGE (SEPTAGE) MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

The Township of Algonquin Highlands invites you to a Public Information Centre to consider Design Options identified by the municipality for managing hauled sewage. Hauled sewage (septage) is the term used for the contents pumped from your septic tank or holding tank. This meeting is the fourth in a series of public events hosted by the municipality, as part of the Class Environmental Assessment (EA) being conducted by the municipality. The Identification and Evaluation of Alternative Design Options and Selection of a Preferred Design Option constitute Phase III of the Class EA.

Saturday February 26, 2005
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

at
Stanhope Firefighters Community Hall,
North Shore Road

The municipality is considering three Design Options, including a *Waterloo Biofilter System*, a constructed wetland, and facultative lagoons. All three options include full on-site primary and secondary treatment of hauled sewage. Existing municipal waste disposal sites at Pine Springs and Maple Lake are being considered as possible locations for development of the facility. The screening criteria used to evaluate the Design Options and to select a preferred location will be outlined at the meeting, as will information about each Design Option.

Public opinion and comment is an important component of the Class EA process. The municipality will consider input received from the public at the meeting, in the final selection of a Preferred Design Option. If concerns arise which cannot be resolved through discussions with the Township, a person may request that the Minister of Environment make an order for the project to comply with Part II of the Environmental Assessment Act (referred to as a Part 2 order), which addresses individual environmental assessments.

Information regarding the Township of Algonquin Highlands Hauled Sewage (Septage) Management System is available on the Township's web site:
<http://www.algonquinhighlands.ca>

Dated at the Township of Algonquin Highlands on the 29th day of January, 2005

Gerald Bain
Chief Administrative Officer and Clerk
Township of Algonquin Highlands
R.R.#2, North Shore Road
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How do you spell the Dorset Snowball? F-U-N fun!

It's the best time you can have in a snowbank

The Dorset Snowball Winter Carnival takes place on Friday and Saturday, February 18 and 19. Watch for your official Snowball brochure coming soon in the mail to all local areas or have a look at www.dorsetsnowball.com for an up to the minute list of events.

Dorset Snowball still has a few volunteer hours available for high school students. Is there a better way to get your hours in? We think not! Snowball is F-U-N! For more information on obtaining your volunteer hours at Snowball, email drc@vianet.on.ca or call 705-766-9968.

The next Dorset Snowball Winter Carnival meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 14 at 7 p.m. at the Dorset Recreation Centre.

Anyone wishing to purchase a Good Food Box for February, must have their \$15 in to the Dorset Recreation Centre by 4 p.m. on Wednesday, February 9. Boxes can be picked up at the Dorset Recreation Centre on Thursday, February 17 between 5 and 9 p.m.

There will be an Ash Wednesday Service at St. Mary Magdalene's on Wednesday, February 9 at 4 p.m. Sunday Service times



DORSET NEWS

Melissa Alfano

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are changing effective immediately. Services will be at 9 a.m. at St. Mary Magdalene's, Dorset and 11 a.m. at St. Ambrose, Baysville. There will be combined parish service at St. Mary Magdalene's on Sunday, February 27 at 10:30 a.m.

There will be a Seniors Friendship Luncheon on Thursday, February 10 at the Dorset Recreation Centre. This is a "St. Valentine's Roast Beef Dinner complete with mocktails." For more information or to reserve, call Helen at 705-766-9968 or Donna at 705-789-0876.

Tall Pines Snowmobile Club and Lions Camp Dorset are pleased to announce their annual Poker Rally and St. Valentine's Dance to take place on Saturday, February 12, 2005 beginning at 10 a.m.

For more information, have a look at

www.tallpines.org or contact Barb at 705-766-2108 or Donna at 705-766-9253.

The Dorset Community Policing Committee will be meeting at the Dorset Recreation Centre on Tuesday, February 15 at 7:30 p.m.

The Dorset Lions Club is sponsoring the Snowball Sculpture contest and has cash prizes to offer to those who participate. Create your snowy creation in your own backyard and register with Gail Hope at 705-766-9558 by February 16.

Who wants to be "Mr. & Mrs. Snowball" at this year's Snowball Winter Carnival? If you are interested, give the Recreation Centre a call at 705-766-9968.

Pre-registration for the Snowball Adult Broomball Tournament is required by calling the Rec Centre at 766-9968. Don't miss out - space is limited. The registration fee is \$10 in advance and \$20 on the day; 75% of registration fees will be given out as prizes. Call today to register and for more information.

Time is running out to book your free computer lesson at the Dorset Community

Access Program site located in the Dorset Recreation Centre. For more information, call Carol at 766-9968. Don't miss out! This program ends March 30th!

Dorset Playgroup meets at the Dorset Recreation Centre on Friday mornings. It's a good chance to get out and socialize for both children and caregivers.

Drop in on Fridays from 9:30 a.m. to noon in the Multi-Purpose Room at the Centre. Call Elise at 705-766-1382 for more information. Do you know anyone who would be interested in teaching Beginner's Pilates, Aerobics or fitness classes in Dorset? If so, contact the Dorset Recreation Centre at 705-766-9968.

Calling all seniors ages 50 and over. The Dorset Lions wish to invite you to their annual complimentary senior's dinner. Where? At Lions Camp Dorset. When? On Wednesday, February 23 at 6:30 p.m. Please R.S.V.P. by calling Esther at 705-766-2830.

Birthday wishes for February 6 to 12 go out to Elizabeth Timbers, Mae Moore, Esther Fortney, Gail Hope and Happy Anniversary to Darlene and Yvon Chatelain. Have a great day.



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO INFORM THE PUBLIC OF A PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT

TAKE NOTICE that the Council for The Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills will be holding a public meeting under Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, C.P. 13 as amended, to inform the public of a proposed Zoning By-law Amendment.

DATE AND LOCATION OF PUBLIC MEETING

Date: Thursday, March 10, 2005
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Location: Township of Minden Hills Municipal Office (Council Chambers)
7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario
Applicant: T.T. LAND COMPANY INC.
RZ-05-03

DETAILS OF THE ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT

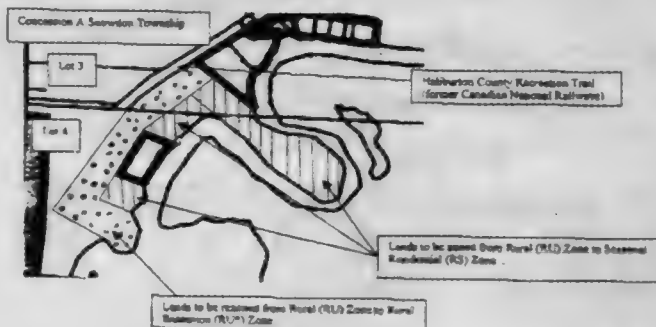
The purpose of the proposed by-law is to amend The Restricted Area (Zoning By-Law No. 3-78 as amended, to rezone lands described as Part of Lot 3 and 4, Concession A, in the Geographic Township of Snowdon from the Rural (RU) Zone to the Seasonal Residential (RS) Zone together with an Exception Zone. The subject lands were granted provisional consent to sever on November 15, 2004 and this amendment is proposed to satisfy a condition of consent. The purpose of the exception is to allow an accessory building to remain on the retained lot without the benefit of a principal residence on the condition that it will not be converted into a principal residence.

The purpose of this meeting is to ensure that sufficient information is made available to enable the public to generally understand the Zoning By-Law Amendment that is being considered by Council. Any person who attends the meeting shall be afforded an opportunity to make representations in respect of the applications. Council will then use the information collected at this meeting to make a decision on this matter at a future meeting. If you wish to be notified of Council's decision please forward such requests (with forwarding addresses) in writing to the attention of the Planning Administrator.

If a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Minden Hills in respect of the proposed amendments but does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to Council before the proposed amendments are adopted, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss all or part of the appeal.

Additional information regarding the proposed zoning by-law is available to the public for inspection at the Municipality of Minden Hills Planning Department located at 11445 Highway No. 35 (the former Lutterworth Municipal Office) Monday to Friday, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Date of this Notice:
February 11, 2005
(Ms.) Elinor Kernohan, CMO, CMM
Planning Administrator
Township of Minden Hills
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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 300(1)(a) of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills proposes to consider, and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held in the Municipal Council Chambers on Milne Street, Minden, Ontario, on Thursday, February 24, 2005 at the hour of 3:00 p.m., by-laws to stop up, close and convey those parcels of land more particularly described as follows:-

- File No. 89-07
Applicant - **PRIEST: Doug and Margaret**
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Twelve Mile Lake, lying in front of Lot 8, Concession 10, geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 2 on a Plan of Survey 19R-7958, registered December 20, 2004.
- File No. 04-06
Applicant - **KELLETT: Allan Glenn**
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Gull River, lying in front of Lot 7, Concession 13, geographic Township of Lutterworth, designated as Part 8 on a Plan of Survey 19R-7469, registered December 13, 2002.
- File No. 04-32
Applicant - **BARNES: Gordon and Nancy**
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of East Moore Lake, lying in front of Lot 22, Concession 5, geographic Township of Lutterworth, designated as Part 2 on a Plan of Survey 19R-7967, registered January 18, 2005.
- File No. 04-16
Applicant - **MILLER: James, M.**
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Mountain Lake, lying in front of Lot 5, Concession 5, geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 3 on a Plan of Survey 19R-3352, registered July 26, 1985.

The above noted plans of survey are available for inspection in the former Lutterworth Municipal Office, 11445 Hwy. #35 South of Minden, Ontario during regular office hours.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that before passing the said by-laws at the meeting to be held at the time and place above-mentioned, the Council shall then and there, hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his or her land will be prejudicially affected by the said by-laws and who applies to be heard.

DATED AT THE Township of Minden Hills, this 11th day of February, 2005.

(Ms) Elinor Kernohan, CMO, CMM
Planning Administrator

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS.

In the matter of the Estate of **CHARLES HENRY (HARRY) CAMPBELL**, deceased.
 All creditors and others having claims against the Estate of Charles Henry (Harry) Campbell, late of the Township of Anson, in the County of Haliburton, who died on or about the 27th day of January 2003, are required to file the particulars of such claims with the undersigned solicitors for the said Estate on or before the 15th day of March, 2005.

AND take notice that after the last day named, the assets of the said Estate, will be distributed among the persons hereto entitled having regard only to the claims of which the Executors for the Estate shall have notice.

DATED at Haliburton, Ontario this 9th day of February, 2005 by **BISHOP AND ROGERS**, Barristers and Solicitors, P.O. Box 472, Haliburton, Ontario, K0M 1S0.

Solicitors for the Executors of the Estate of Charles Henry (Harry) Campbell.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS

In the matter of the Estate of **RICHARDA JOHANNA ROGERS**, deceased. All creditors and others having claims against the Estate of **RICHARDA JOHANNA ROGERS**, late of the Township of Anson, in the County of Haliburton, who died on or about the 4th day of November, 2004, are required to file the particulars of such claims with the undersigned Solicitors for the said Estate on or before the 21st day of February, 2005. AND take notice that after the last day named, the assets of the said Estate, will be distributed among the persons hereto entitled having regard only to the claims of which the Executor for the Estate, being **FRASER A. ROGERS**, shall have notice. DATED at HALIBURTON, Ontario this 10th day of January, 2005 by **BISHOP AND ROGERS**, Barristers and Solicitors, P.O. Box 472, Haliburton, Ontario, K0M 1S0, Solicitors for the Executor of the Estate of **RICHARDA JOHANNA ROGERS**.

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Missed dearly by daughter **Margaret**, son-in-law **John Tebbutt** & granddaughter **Tanya**.

KENT, IRENE In Loving memory of Mom, Irene, who passed away Friday, February 13, 1972.

Your loving memories, I will always keep
 Loved and missed by your daughter, **Audrey Reynolds**.

460 OBITUARIES

DENIS ROY ARBOUR

April 7, 1982 -
 February 4, 2005

It is with great sadness that we announce the sudden death of **Denis**. Loving son of **Cathy** and **Dan Arbour**, dear brother of **Daryl**. He will be greatly missed by his grandmother and best friend **Beverly Gilmour**. **Denis** also leaves behind his grandparents **Mae** and **Bernard Arbour**, **Gary** and **Beula Lanigan** and great grandmother **Violet Nelson "Nana"**. He will be sadly missed by his aunts and uncles **Kelly** and **Peter Harpley**, **Jim** and **Janis Lanigan**, **Robin** and **Ed Pankhurst**, **John** and **Diane Arbour** and by all his cousins and friends. Friends were invited to visit the family at the **Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd.**, 127 Main St., P.O. Box 427, Minden, K0M 2K0 (1-888-588-5777) on Monday evening from 7-9 p.m. Funeral Service will be held in the Chapel on Tuesday, February 8, 2005 at 11:00 a.m. Spring Interment at **Twelve Mile Lake Cemetery**, **Carnarvon**. Memorial Donations to the **Toronto Western Hospital Hand Clinic (Dr. Linda Dvali)** or to the **Charity of your choice** would be appreciated by the family.

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- **The Indoor Walking Program** at **Archie Stouffer Elementary School** has resumed following the Christmas break. All who wish to escape the icy sidewalks can walk the halls of the school 7:30 to 8:15 a.m. No charge.
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- **Tuesday Evenings:** at **Camp Medeba** in **West Guilford**, families 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. children and parents climb together, Youth and Adults 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. Drop in indoor rock climbing. Everyone welcome. Children 13 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Parental permission required for youth under 18 yrs.
- **February 11:** Bring your sweetheart to the annual Valentine's Day Rotary Auction on Friday, February 11 at the **Wigamog Inn**. Dinner, dessert buffet, auction and entertainer **Joe Fischer**. Dineer 7. Contact **Robert** at 457-5234.
- **February 12:** Lugging at **Redstone River Luge Club** - The Haliburton Highlands Trails & Tours Network has once again partnered with outdoor centres to present a series of winter workshops. Each workshop runs from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Includes lunch and all the gear you'll need for the day. Space for all workshops is limited so be sure to register in advance.
- **February 12:** Tall Pines Snowmobile Club & Lions Camp Dorset Poker Rally & St. Valentine's Dance, Saturday, February 12, 2005 10 a.m. Proceeds to aid **Kidney Dialysis Lions Camp Dorset**. For more information call **Barb** (705) 766-2108 or **Donna** (705) 766-9253, www.tallpines.org.
- **February 13:** The Highlands Male Chorus presents "A Winter Interlude" a choral performance featuring a variety of music and music styles. Sunday, February 13 at 2:30 p.m. at the **Northern Lights Pavilion** in the High School in Haliburton. Tickets are available at **Kitchens Etcetera** in Haliburton and **Pharmasave Drug Store** in Minden. All seats are reserved.
- **February 15:** Haliburton Highlands Prostate Cancer Support Group monthly meeting. Held the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. in the **Fireside Lounge Highland Crest Senior Citizen's Home** in Minden. For info. call **Rick Ratcliffe** 286-6699.
- **February 15:** Join Home Support and Wheels to Meals at the **Dominion Hotel** in Minden. This lunch begins at 11:30 a.m. Please call **Myrtle Bouthoorn** to make your reservations for this fun filled luncheon.
- **February 16:** Red Hatter Matter... All ladies of the Red Hats of Haliburton County are invited to lunch, (12noon) at **Sir Sam's Inn**, **Eagle Lake**. You must be preregistered in order to attend. If you did not sign the list at the **Win Yeung Luncheon** in January please call **Lady Dorothy** at 754-1885 and add your name to her list.
- **February 16 and 23:** at 12 p.m. at **St. Pauls Minden**, Lenten service and toonie lunch in aid of **Minden Food Bank**, different speaker each service.
- **February 17:** Infant Massage Workshop, Thursday at 1:00 p.m. Ontario Early Years Centre Minden, Learn to soothe and connect with your baby through touch. Presented by **Claire Sylvan** of Family Services. Call 286-1770 to sign up.
- **February 17:** Haliburton Legion 50+ Club... Meeting w/pot luck dinner, followed by a book sale & entertainment by "The Hot Flashes". Bring your favourite dish. Doors open 4:30 pm. Dinner at 5:30 pm. If attending call **Ruth** or **Jim** by Tues. Feb. 15th. Call 457-2124.
- **February 19:** Community Living Haliburton County & Sir Sam's Ski Area presents Community Living Ski & Snowboard Day. Registration 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, Timed Event 1:00 p.m.. Social/Prizes 4:00 p.m., BBQ Lunch and prizes for qualifying participants, for more information or more pledge sheets call 457-2626. Fun for the entire Family.
- **February 21:** Caring with Confidence, Minden Mon. February 21, 1:00 - 2:30 p.m., Hyland Crest Meeting Classroom, Haliburton, Thursday February 24, 10:00 a.m. - noon being held at Haliburton Home Support office. Please call 457-2941 to register.
- **February 21:** Beginner Taoist Tai Chi starts, Monday Feb. 21, 7 - 8:30 p.m., Hyland Crest Auditorium, Minden, First class is free! Call **Ginny** at 489-2996 to register.
- **February 22:** Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild invites all fibre artists (weavers, rug hookers, knitters, etc.) to join them for a drop-in work session at **Club 35** at **Hall's Lake**. Bring a project to work on and a brown bag lunch. Share ideas and friendships. Everyone welcome.
- **February 26:** Haliburton Highlands Field Naturalists, Join us for a snowshoe & animal tracking hike, Sat. Feb 26, 2005, meet at **Sheila's** at 10:00 a.m. Call 754-2532 for directions/more information.
- **February 26:** Snowshoeing at **YMCA Camp Wanakita** - The Haliburton Highlands Trails & Tours Network has once again partnered with outdoor centres to present a series of winter workshops. Each workshop runs from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Includes lunch and all the gear you'll need for the day. Space for all workshops is limited so be sure to register in advance 705-489-4049.

Events listings are provided **FREE** for non-profit groups on a space-available basis. While we endeavor to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Times at 286-4768, emailed to editor@mindentimes.on.ca., or brought in to the office. **NOTE:** This calendar is **NOT A COMPREHENSIVE LISTING OF ALL EVENTS** taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in The Times for more information on events and in the Highlands.

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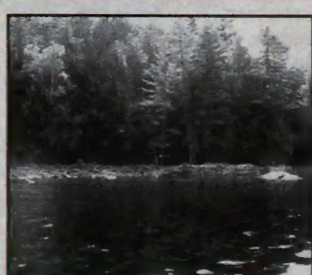
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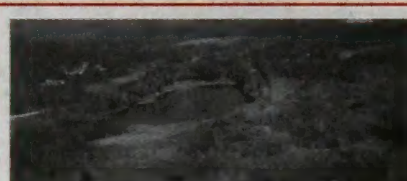
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